



CERT NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations 2018 Los Gatos-Monte Sereno
CERT Academy graduates:

Bijan Davari, Ken Keating, Erica Lamont,
Scott Hepworth, Lorraine Hepworth,
Deborah Ledesma, Crista McGowan,
Michael Ruhstorfer, Marico Sayoc, Tirsa
Parish, Marico Sayoc, Michael
Clem and Judy Ventimiglia



Have a Safe
and
Happy Holiday



Save the Date

CERT Leadership
Meeting

January 29th

Training for 2019

- ⇒ Smoke Detector Installations—TBD
- ⇒ Red Cross Shelter Training—Spring
- ⇒ Emergency Volunteer Center Management—TBD
- ⇒ Fall LG/MS CERT Drill—
Nov. 9, 2019
- ⇒ CERT Academy (Campbell
1/15/19—2/2/19
- ⇒ CERT Refreshers Begin in Los Altos
Hills on 2/6/19—Visit [SCC Fire](#)
emergency preparedness training
page for additional training
opportunities
- ⇒ LG-MS Ares/Races Ham Cram at the
Los Gatos EOC—2/9/19



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Advantages of a Newsletter

The purpose of a CERT newsletter is to provide specialized information to the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno CERT membership. We strive to create credibility and build awareness for you and the services you provide.



Winter Readiness

Make sure you have at least one of the following in case there is a power failure:

- ◆ Cell phone, portable charger, and extra batteries.
- ◆ Battery-powered radio, with extra batteries, for listening to local emergency instructions
- ◆ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio receiver for listening to [National Weather Service broadcasts](#).

Find out how your community warns the public about severe weather:

- ◆ Siren
- ◆ Radio or Television
- ◆ Local public health and emergency management websites
- ◆ Listen to emergency broadcasts.
- ◆ Make a Family Communication Plan. Your family may not be together during an extreme winter event, so it is important to know how you will contact one another, how you will get back together, and what you will do during an emergency.
- ◆ Be sure to check on older neighbors and family members; assist as necessary.
- ◆ Have your "Go Kit" ready and stock up on water, supplies and extra clothing.



Wildfire Awareness

More and more people establish their homes in areas that are prone to wildfires. You can take steps to be ready for a wildfire and prepare your home and landscaping to reduce your risk. Learn how to protect yourself and your family from a wildfire, evacuate safely during a wildfire, and how to stay healthy when you return home by visiting www.ready.gov/wildfires

